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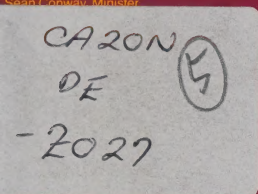
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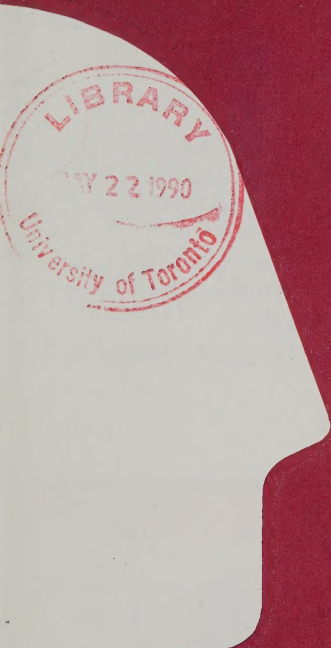
Independent Learning Centre



Sean Conway, Minister



English as a Second Language



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Courses in English as a second language

The Independent Learning Centre (ILC), Ministry of Education, offers a free non-credit program in English as a second language (ESL). The courses are designed for home study and require the assistance of a volunteer tutor.

Role and qualifications of volunteer tutors

As a volunteer, you would:

- enrol your student in the ESL course;
- show your student how to work through the course materials;
- demonstrate and encourage the correct use of English;
- provide support and encouragement to your student.

No special teaching skills are required to be an ESL volunteer (written guides tell you exactly what to do), nor is it necessary for you to speak your student's first language.

In order to be a volunteer, you must be:

- able to speak and read English;
- willing to spend one or two hours a week with your student.

How the service works

Each ESL course provides home instruction through audio-cassette tapes, student workbooks, answer keys, and a detailed tutor's guide. In addition, a qualified ESL teacher, appointed by ILC, provides guidance through assignment evaluation and regular telephone conversations with your student.

How to enrol a friend

An application form for your student may be obtained by phoning, visiting, or writing to the Independent Learning Centre.

Additional information

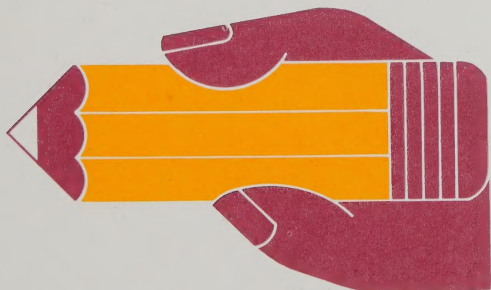
Additional information and application forms are available from the Independent Learning Centre.

Independent Learning Centre
909 Yonge Street
Toronto, Ontario
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Toronto area: 965-2657
Toll-free: 1-800-387-5512


Office hours: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Monday to Friday

The Independent Learning Centre, Ontario Ministry of Education, provides free home-study courses for Ontario residents who wish to obtain credits towards a high school diploma, upgrade basic skills, or study for personal development. The Student Guide, available on request from ILC, describes the services offered.



Learning English
at home
is easier with
a friend.

Be a volunteer!



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